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December 11, 1998

Mr. William Bullard, Jr. Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission State Capitol Building 500 East Capitol Pierre, SD 57501

> Re: Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment Rate 88 and Rate 89

Dear Mr. Bullard:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., respectfully submits for Commission approval an original and ten(10) copies of a proposed change to its Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment (PGA) Rate 88 and East River Natural Gas System Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment Rate 89. Montana-Dakota requests that the proposed tariff changes be made effective February 1, 1999 in conjunction with the regularly scheduled PGA.

Montana-Dakota's currently authorized tariffs provide for changing the PGA each month when the average cost of gas supply changes by at least \$0.001 per dia. Montana-Dakota is proposing to modify the existing PGA tariffs to provide for changing the PGA each month when the average cost of gas supply changes by at least ten (10) cents per dic. The May 1 PGA will be filed each year, regardless of the amount of the change.

In May 1997 Montana-Dakota switched from an semiarinual PGA to a monthly PGA to permit tracking of the market price for natural gas in a timely manner. The ability to change the PGA in a timely matter is essential in order to minimize the amounts collected in the balancing account and to track the market for gas supplies. However, there are certain months, primarily the summer months, when the change in the PGA will typically be minimal. Montana-Dakota is proposing a ten cent change as a threshold before a filing is made in order to minimize the work involved by the Company, the Commission and the Commission Staff in changing the PGA when the change is small. The proposed change will not significantly affect the amounts that will be reflected in the balancing account.

Included herein is a second set of the affected tariffs on which Montana-Dakota trasindicated the revisions requested by lining through the existing language which the Company proposes to delete and highlighting the new language proposed. Please refer all inquiries regarding this filling to:

Mr. Donald R. Ball Regulatory Affairs Manager Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. 400 North Fourth Street Bismarck, ND 58501

Also, please send copies of all written inquiries, correspondence and pleadings to

Mr. Tom K. Hopgood Senior Attorney MDU Resources Group, Inc. P. O. Box 5650 Bismarck, ND 58506-5650

Montana-Dakota respectfully requests that this filing be accepted as being in full compliance with the filing requirements of this Commission.

Please acknowledge receipt by stamping or initialing the duplicate copy of this letter attached hereto and returning the same in the enclosed self-addressed, stamped envelope.

Sincerely,

C. Wayne Fox Vice President

Regulatory Affairs & General Services

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1. APPLICABILITY:

This rate schedule constitutes a purchased gas cost adjustment (PA) provision and specifies the procedure to be utilized to adjust the rates for gas sold under Montana-Dakota's rate schedules, with the exception of General Service Rate 66, in order to reflect: (A) changes in Montana-Dakota's average cost of gas supply and (b) amortization of the Unrecovered Purchased Gas C - Accept.

2. EFFECTIVE DATE AND LIMITATION ON ADJUSTMENTS:

- (a) The effective dates of the PGA shall be bills rendered on and after the first day of each month, unless the Commission shall otherwise order.
- (b) Montana-Dakota shall file an adjustment to reflect changes in its average cost of gas supply only when the account of such adjustment is at least 10 (ten) cents per dk. The adjustment to be effective May I shall be filed each year, regardless of the amount of the change.

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EAST RIVER NATURAL GAS SYSTEM PURCHASED GAS COST ADJUSTMENT Rate 89

APPLICABILITY:

This rate schedule constitutes a purchased gas cost adjustment (1864) provision and specifies the procedure to be utilized to address the rates for gas sold under General Services Rate 55 in order to reflect: (a) changes in Montana-Dakota's average cost of gas supply and (b) amortization of the Unrecovered Purchased Gas Cost Account.

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In the Matter of the Application of Montana-Daketa Utilities Co. for approval of Revisions to its Furchased Gas Cost Adjustments, Rates 88 and 89.

Application by Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. to revise its Purchased (SacCost Adjustments, Rates BB and 69 to change the minimum streshold which necessitates the filing of revised PGA rate adjustments. Currently if the monthly adjustment changes less than \$ 001 per dekulherm, a new adjustment is not required. With this filing the minimum threshold would be raised to \$ 10 per dekutherm.

Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Staff Analyst: Dave Jacobson

Date Filed: 12/14/98

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In the Malter of the Filing by Kadoka Telephone Company for Approval of Switched Access Rates.

This filling reflects the switched access rates as determined by dividing the Commission approved revenus requirement by the Commission approved minutes of use for the cost study companies, assume to WEST Communications. The rates will become effective as January 1, 1999.

Staff Attorney: Karen Cramer Staff Analyst: Harlan Best Date Filed: 12/10/98

Intervention Deadline: 12/24/98

TC98-209

In the Matter of the Application of Telecommunications Cooperations
Network, Inc. for a Certificate of Authority to Provide Telecommunications
Services in South Dakota

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telecommunications services in the state of South Dakota. Proposed services include both inbound and outbound intraLATA toll services.

Staff Attorney: Camron Hoseck Staff Analyst: Kylie Tracy Date Filed: 12/16/58

intervention Deadline: 12/31/98

TO98-210 In the Matter of the Request for a Ruling Regarding Toll Limitation.

On December 3, 1598, the Commission received a letter from TELEC Consulting Resources asking for "written confirmation that the ruling regarding toll control and toll limitation as detailed in Amended Order TC 37-163, XIV, issued March 10, 1998, applies to all South Dakota eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs), not just U S WEST." Since this order was only applicable to U S WEST, the Commission is seeking comments on whether it should issue an order in this docket applicable to all currently designated ETCs reflecting the change in the toll limitation to the consideration will be accepted until December 29, 1998.

Staff Attorney: Karen Cremer Staff Analyst: Harlan Best Data Filed: 12/03/68

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Staff Attismey Karen Cremer Staff Analyst Harlan Best Date Filed: 12/16/98 Intervention Deadline: 12/24/98

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December 22, 1998

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Mr. William Bullard, Jr.
Executive Director
South Dakota Public Utilities
Commission
State Capitol Building
500 East Capitol
Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Docket No. NG98-013 - Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment Rate 85 and Rate 85

Dear Mr. Bullard:

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group Inc., respectfully submits for Commission approval an original and ten(10) copies of substitute tariff sheets for Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment (PGA) Rate 68 and East River Natural Gas System Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment Rate 89

These attached tariffs are substituted for the tariff sheets filed in this docket on December 12, 1998 and reflect language to carry the intent of the proposed change pursuant to discussions with Staff. Montana Dakota requests that the processor carriff changes be made effective February 1, 1999 in conjunction with the regularly scheduled PGA.

Included herein is a second set of the affected tariffs on which Montana Charata has indicated the revisions requested by Lining through the existing language which the Company proposes to delete and highlighting the new language proposes.

Please acknowledge receipt by stamping or initialing the dublicate copy of this latter attached hereto and returning the same in the enclosed soft-actives socializated envelope.

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF) ORDER APPROVING MONTANA-DAKOTA UTILITIES COMPANY, A) PURCHASED GAS COST DIVISION OF MDU RESOURCES GROUP, INC.) ADJUSTMENT PURCHASED GAS COST ADJUSTMENT,) NG98-013 RATES 88 AND 89

On December 14, 1998, Montana-Dakota Utilities Company (MDL) filed with the Public Utilities Commission (Commission) an application for approval to revise its Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment, Rates 88 and 89, to change the minimum threshold which recessions the fing a revised PGA rate adjustments. According to the application, "MDU's currently authorized tanks provide for changing the PGA each month when the average cost of gas supply changes by at least 50.001 per dk. MDU is proposing to modify the existing PGA tanffs to provide for changing the PGA each month when the average cost of gas supply changes by at least 10 cents per dk. The Max PGA will be filed each year, regardless of the amount of the change. The proposed change will significantly affect the amounts that will be reflected in the balancing account." MDU requests that the proposed tariff changes be made effective February 1, 1999, in conjunction with the requirery scheduled PGA. The revised tariffs are as follows:

Section No. 3, 3rd Revised Sheet No. 29 Section No. 3, 4th Revised Sheet No. 30

At its regularly scheduled December 30, 1998, meeting, the Commission considered MCU's application. Commission Staff recommended approval of the application.

The Commission finds that it has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to SEXI. Chapter 49-34A, specifically, 49-34A-2, 49-34A-6, 49-34A-8, 49-34A-10 and 40-34A-25. Further, the Commission finds that the revisions to the tariff are just and reasonable and shall be approved. It is therefore

ORDERED that the above-referenced revised tariff schedules are approved and are effective for service rendered on and after February 1, 1999.

Dated at Pierre, South Dakota, this _____ day of January, 1999

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The undersigned hereby centiles that this document has been served today upon all parties of record in this docket, as listed on the docket service list, by facsimile or by first class mail, in preperty addressed envelopes, with charges prepaid thereon.				
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A Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc.

400 North Fourth Street Bismarck, ND 58501 (701) 222-7900 January 18, 1999

Mr. William Bullard, Jr. Executive Director South Dakota Public Utilities Commission State Capitol Building 500 East Capitol Pierre, SD 57501

Re: Purchased Gas Cost Adjustment

Docket No. NG98-013

Dear Mr. Bullard:

Montana-Datota Utilities Co. (Montana-Dakota), a Division of MDU Resources Group, Inc., herewith submits its 3rd Revised Sheet Nol 29 and its 4th Revised Sheet No. 30, as originally filed on December 23, 1998, reflecting an effective date of service rendered on and after February 1, 1999 pursuant to the Commission's Order dated January 6, 1999.

The original and ten (10) copies of this letter and tariff have been provided to the South Dakota Public Utilities Commission.

Please acknowledge receipt by stamping or initialing the duplicate copy of the letter attached hereto and returning the same in the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope.

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EAST RIVER NATURAL GAS SYSTEM
PURCHASED GAS COST ADJUSTMENT Rate 89

1, APPLICABILITY:

This rate schedule constitutes a purchased gas cost adjustment The provision and specifies the procedure to be utilized to adjust the rates for gas sold under General Services Rate 66 in order to reflect: (a) changes in Montana-Dakota's average cost of gas supply and (b) amortization of the Unrecovered Purchased Gas Cost Account.

- 2. EFFECTIVE DATE AND LIMITATION ON ADJUSTMENTS:
 - (a) The effective dates of the PGA shall be bills rendered on and after the first day of each month, unless the Commission shall otherwise order.
 - (b) Montana-Dakota shall file an adjustment to reflect changes in its average cost of gas supply only when the amount of such adjustment is at least 10 (ten) cents per dk compared to the currently effective adjustment. The adjustment to be effective May 1 shall be filed each year, regardless of the amount of the change.
- 3. PURCHASED GAS COST ADJUSTMENT:
 - The monthly PGA shall reflect changes in Montana Dakota a com-(a) of gas supply for the East River System as compared to the cost of gas supply established in initial rates or as approved in its most recent general rate case. The cost of gas supply shall be the sum of all costs incurred in obtaining gar for delivery at interconnections with South Dikota Introducts Pipeline (SDIP). The East River System supply is the last as gas available for use by all customers served under determine Services Rate 66. The cost of gas supply shall include. The not be limited to, all demand, commodity, statede, particular and transportation charges incurred by Montana-Dakota far such gas supply, the overall rate of return on probate domaid and commodity charges and gas storage balances include to maintain the East River System gas supply and hedging program gains, losses and transaction costs related to the Table Times System gas supply.
 - (b) The PGA shall be computed as follows:
 - (1) Demand Costs, if applicable, shall include all annual gathering, transportation and storage damand changes as

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